

Remarks:

Applicant thanks the Examiner for re-issuing the Office Action due to the USPTO mailing the first Office Action to a wrong location. Reconsideration of the above referenced application in view of the enclosed amendment and remarks is requested. Claims 7 and 18 have been cancelled. Claims 6 and 17 have been amended. Existing Claims 1-6, 8-17 and 19-29 remain in the application. A Request for Drawing Correction is submitted herein to address Examiner's objections to the drawings.

ARGUMENT

The Examiner's objections to the drawings are moot based on the amendments to the specification and submitted replacement Figure 4.

Claim 18 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite due to insufficient antecedent basis. This rejection is moot based on the above amendments to the claims.

Claims 1-29 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,178,443 to Lin (hereinafter, "Lin"). This rejection is respectfully traversed and Claims 1-29 are believed allowable based on the above amendments and foregoing and following discussion.

With regards to Claim 1, the Examiner asserts that Lin teaches *automatically creating a version of the profile for use on the second processor-based system*. The cited reference (Col. 3, lines 29-39) clearly show that Lin teaches server-side synchronization is "activated upon receipt of a service request." Until such a request is received by the server, the profiles are not created or updated on the server system. In contrast, Applicant's claimed invention requires that the profile is *automatically created* to be used on the portable (second processor-based system). Lin does not teach or suggest that synchronization is automatic. In fact, Lin teaches away from automatic creation of a profile by teaching that a service request is required prior to synchronization. Thus, independent Claim 1 and its progeny are believed allowable.

In the Drawings:

A Request for Drawing Correction is submitted herein. Reference numeral 68 was inadvertently omitted in Figure 4. A replacement Figure 4 is submitted showing that reference numeral 68 identifies the BIOS. The BIOS 68 is described in the specification as originally filed. Thus, the drawing correction does not introduce new matter, nor does this modification change the scope of the claimed inventions.

With regard to Claim 2, Applicant's recited claim requires *automatically creating a version of the profile in response to the user logging on to the first processor-based system.* First, Lin teaches synchronization of the profiles only in response to a service request, not directly in response to an event. Second, at no time does Lin teach that the user may log on to the first processor-based system, or server. Lin teaches only that the user logs on to the local computer, or client-side system (second processor-based system). Thus, Lin fails to teach or suggest the limitations of Claim 2, and Claim 2 is believed allowable.

Similar to Claim 1, Claim 3 requires *automatically creating a version of the profile for use on a portable processor-based system.* Lin teaches that profiles are created only after receiving a service request and thus, are not automatically generated. Therefore, Claim 3 is believed allowable.

Claims 4-5 are believed allowable as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

Claim 6 is amended to include the limitations of Claim 7. Claim 6 requires *automatically forwarding the profile from the second processor-based system to the first processor-based system before powering down the second processor-based system.* Lin teaches forwarding an updated profile only upon logging off of the client-side system. Logging off of a system is not the same as powering the system down. A user may log off, and a second user may log on, etc., without ever powering the system down. Lin suggests that certain events occur when powering up either the repository or local computer, but never teaches or suggests an activity upon powering down the local, or client-side, computer. Thus, Claim 6, as amended, and its progeny are believed allowable. Claim 7 is cancelled. Claims 8-11 are believed allowable as being based on an allowable base claim.

Specifically with regard to Claim 9, Lin fails to teach or suggest that the second processor-based system (client system) *automatically received the user profile from a first processor-based system.* Lin teaches that the repository computer (first processor-based system) synchronizes the profiles only in response to a service request, and is not automatic.

Specifically with regard to Claim 10, Applicant's recited claim requires *automatically receiving the profile from the first processor-based system in response to a log on to the first processor-based system.* First, Lin teaches synchronization of the profiles only in response to a service request, not directly in response to a log on event. Second, at no time does Lin teach that

the user may log on to the first processor-based system, or server. Lin teaches only that the user logs on to the local computer, or client-side system (second processor-based system). Thus, Lin fails to teach or suggest the limitations of Claim 12, and Claim 10 is believed allowable.

With regard to Claim 11, Lin does not teach or suggest that a profile is automatically transmitted in response to a command to power down the second processor-based system. Lin teaches forwarding an updated profile only upon logging off of the client-side system. Logging off of a system is not the same as powering the system down. A user may log off, and a second user may log on, etc., without ever powering the system down. Lin teaches that certain events occur when powering up either the repository or local computer, but never teaches or suggests an activity upon a command to power down the local, or client-side, computer.

Claim 12 is similar in scope to Claim 1 and is believed allowable based on the discussion above.

Claim 13 is similar in scope to Claim 2 and is believed allowable based on the discussion above.

With regard to Claim 14, Applicant's claimed invention requires instructions to automatically create a version of a web browser profile in response to the user logging on to the processor-based system through the second processor-based system. At no time does Lin teach or suggest that the user logs on to the repository system by logging on to the client system. Further, the cited reference (Col. 4, lines 60-64) fails to teach the recited limitations. At Col. 4, lines 60-64, Lin teaches that the client-side synchronization "tries to retrieve" the most current user preference. A pro-active attempt at trying to retrieve is not the same as automatically receiving. Thus, Lin fails to teach or suggest the recited limitations, and Claim 14 is believed allowable.

Claims 13-16 are believed allowable as being based on an allowable base claim.

The limitations of Claim 18 are added to Claim 17. The rationale for allowing Claim 17 is similar to Claim 6. Lin does not teach or suggest to automatically forward the profile before powering down the second processor-based system. Thus, Claim 17 and its progeny (Claims 19-22) are believed allowable.

With regard to Claim 23, Applicant's claimed invention requires the processor to automatically provide the web browser profile for a user to a second processor-based system. In

contrast, the cited reference (Col. 4, lines 60-67) of Lin teach that the client-side system “tries to retrieve the most current user preference.” *Trying to retrieve* is not the same as being *automatically forwarded* a user preference, or web browser profile. Lin does not teach or suggest that the repository computer automatically forwards the user preference, but only reacts to a service request. Thus, Lin fails to teach or suggest all recited limitations of Applicant’s claims, and Claim 23 and its progeny (Claim 24) are believed allowable.

Similarly, with regard to Claim 25, Lin fails to teach or suggest a processor to *automatically forward the updated profile to a second processor-based system*. As discussed above, Lin does not teach or suggest that the repository computer automatically forwards the updated profile, but only reacts to a service request. Thus, Lin fails to teach or suggest all recited limitations of Applicant’s claims, and Claim 25 and its progeny (Claims 26-29) are believed allowable.

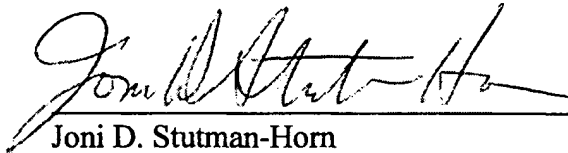
All claims remaining in the application are now allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Claims 1-6, 8-17 and 19-29 are all in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (703) 633-6845. Early issuance of Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Please charge any shortage of fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 02-2666 and please credit any excess fees to such account.

Respectfully submitted,

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